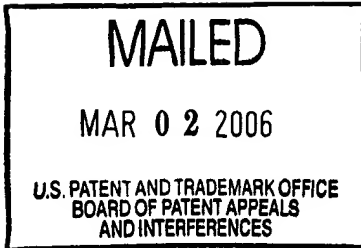


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte RONALD L. BROOKSHIRE
and
TRAVIS J. BROOKSHIRE

Application 09/575,710

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received electronically at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 13, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being electronically returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

Section 1207.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) (8th Ed., Rev. 4, Oct. 2005) states:

On the examiner's answer, below the primary examiner's signature, the word "Conferees:" should be included, followed by the typed or printed names of the other two appeal conference participants. These two

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appeal conference participants must place their initials next to their name. This will make the record clear that an appeal conference has been held. [Emphasis added.]

The Examiner's Answer mailed November 25, 2005 does not comply with the above requirement.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for taking corrective action regarding the appeals conference, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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